Using Information and Communication Technology to Empower and Educate Young Person with Disability in STEM

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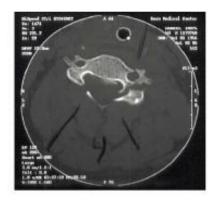
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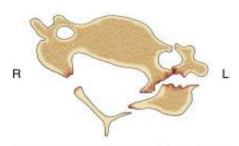
On the way to Death Valley, 5 years ago



Completely paralyzed neck down

Detail of Cervical Injuries - Professor Lee



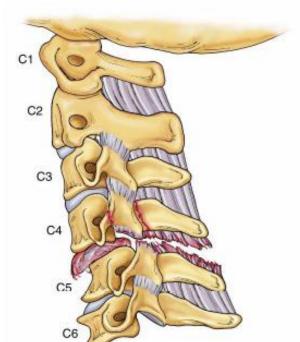


Transverse section of C4 from below



C4-C5 fracture subluxation

- . Less than 25% subluxation
- . C4-5 disc space significantly widened
- Complete ligamentous disruption at C4-5 level of facet joints
- · Interspinous ligament completely torn
- Longus colli muscles "hemorrhagic, edematous, and badly contused"
- . C4 laminar fractures, posteriorly
- C4 spinous process "free-floating," attached to free-floating laminar section bilaterally
- · Visible spinal cord superiorly
- Disc disruption, C4-5

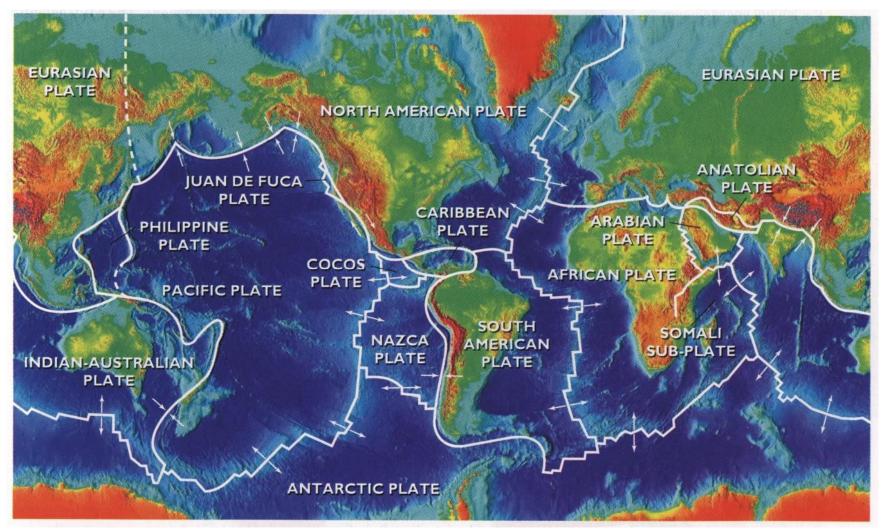


My Story - Timeline

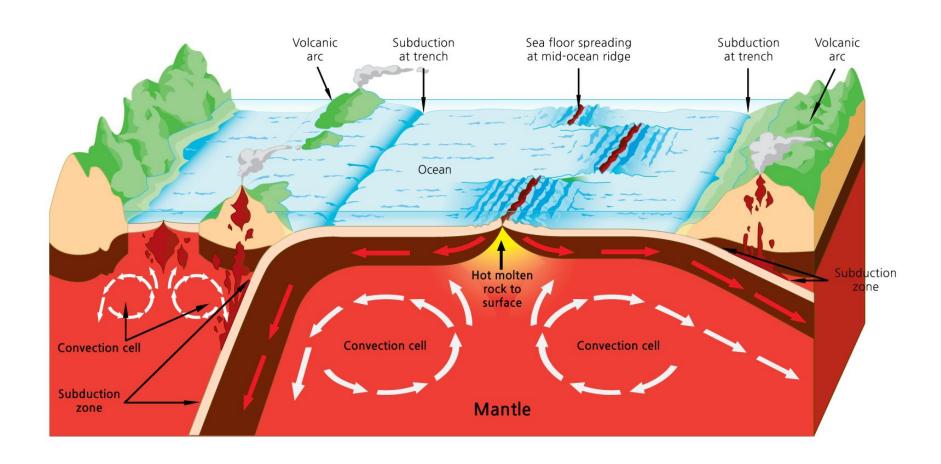
- Jul 2, 2006 Van rollover accident in USA
- Sep 22, 2006 Returns back to Korea (3 month)
- Jan 2, 2007 Returns back to SNU (6 month)
- Mar 5, 2008 Recognized by the media (20 month)
- Oct 1, 2008 Write a newspaper column
- 3 weeks later, offer from the government (MKE)
- Jun 1, 2010 QoLT \$10 M/year program starts

QoLT = Quality of Life Technology

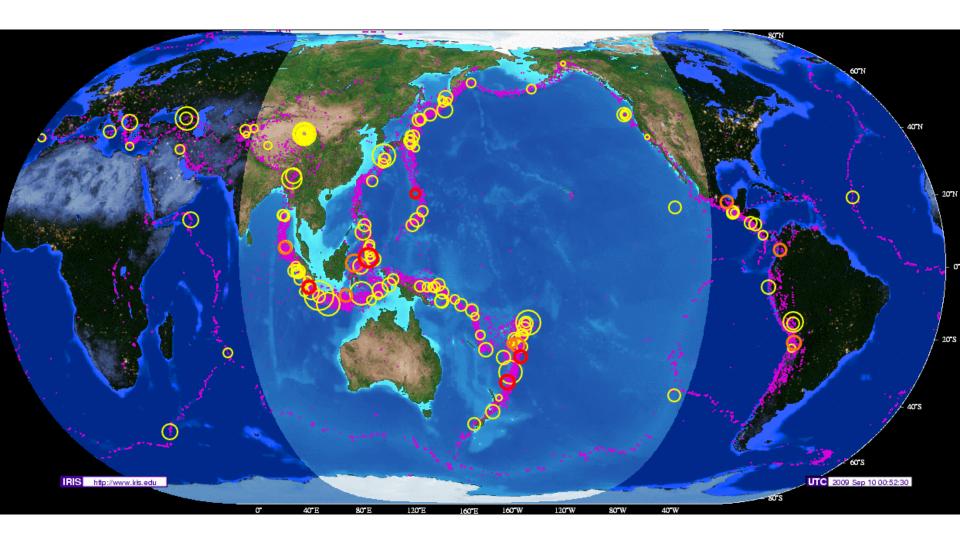
The surface of Earth is composed of plates that constantly move.



Plates move because of mantle convection.



Korea is relatively safe from earthquakes and volcanoes.



The only way to protect ourselves from earthquakes is to build stronger houses.



Special input device Speech recognition

"Computer is god's gift to disabled people."

"The gap between people is reduced in cyber-space."

Modified vehicle



Developing Korean Speech Recognition Program Code name: King Sejong Project



"While the scholars have no trouble expressing themselves using Chinese characters, common people find it difficult because their mother language is not Chinese." (1446)

Knowledge Economy

Today's global economy is one in transition to a Knowledge Economy, that is, an interconnected, globalized economy where knowledge resources such as know-how, expertise and intellectual property are more critical than other economic resources such as land, natural resources, or even manpower.

Source: FRA Report

- Korea is a country that has embraced Knowledge Economy according to others.
- At the center of KE is ICT.
- The same technology we use daily can be used to solve important problems facing our society such as inclusion and diversity.
- SMART WORK & SMART EDUCATION
- "Korea is the only country that has emerged from the recipient status to become a benefactor."

Quality of Life Technology

Research and Development

- Accessible vehicles
- Personalized cellphones and software
- Exercise and health monitoring devices
- Exoskeleton robots
- Korean speech recognition and AACs

Infrastructure and Human Development

- Making role models and AT developers
- Higher education in STEM
- Computational sciences for public safety
- Rehabilitation Science and Engineering
- Global Inclusive Leadership Program



Controlling IPTV with sipand-puff mouse



Using touch screen device with sip-and-puff mouse

Areas of Focus

- Global Inclusive Leadership Program (Precollege, beginning in 2013) – 3rd Next Decade
- Undergraduate Computational Sciences
 Program
- Graduate RSE Program (MS, PhD)
- UX/UI center (HW/SW)
- LMS, portal, on-line education service
- Customized AT production RP service

3 Stages/Components of Rehabilitation

Medical

Societal

Education, Jobs, Inclusion etc

Spiritual

—Being appreciative and grateful to what have

"If you want to go quickly, go alone, but if you want go far distance, go together"

Korean proverb

Thanks for your attention.

